



# Bison in North America

## Bison Feeding

### Creature Feature Activity

**Directions: Unscramble the words from the word bank, then fill them into the blanks to learn all about bison in North America!**



#### Word Bank

xioeicnttn

uofalfb

toreoslev

uslbl

hytirt

isx

amamlm

dre osgd

laliowgnw

ilomnli

Bison are commonly referred to as \_\_\_\_\_, which are animals native to Africa and Asia. When Europeans first came to America, they mistook the animals and the name stuck.

In the 1500s there were an estimated 30—60 \_\_\_\_\_ Bison in North America. Due to unregulated hunting, by 1884 there were only around 325 wild Bison left in the United States. With Bison on the verge of \_\_\_\_\_, the American Bison Society was founded in 1905 with the help of Conservationist President, Theodore \_\_\_\_\_. We now have around 500,000 bison living in North America.

Bison calves are called \_\_\_\_\_, because of the color of their fur for the first few months of life. Their fur turns brown before they are a year old.

Bison roll around in the dust to help shed fur and keep the flies from biting them. This is called \_\_\_\_\_.

Bison are the largest \_\_\_\_\_ in North America. They can be \_\_\_\_\_ feet tall. Male Bison, which are called \_\_\_\_\_ can weigh over 2,000 pounds! Bison can also run over \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.